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Miss This and You Will be Sorry Ever After

A play more alluring than beautiful women, malted milks or feather beds; more fascinating than blue eyes, crossword puzzles or pomeranians; more exciting than earthquakes, kisses or alarm clocks; more laughable than Al Jolson, policemen or Iowa picnics; more—but this could go on endlessly, and yet one would never do justice to the qualities of "What Happened to Jones," a play that is slated for the boards at the Arts and Crafts Theatre, January 1, 2 and 3.

The New Year will start with an old play, a play so old that its pants are shiny and its nose is red and its coat is in tatters. And yet this same play, at which our grandfathers laughed, still carries itself proudly and with a certain show of decorum—a decorum, however, with its tongue in its cheek, a decorum a professor of algebra might adopt whose pockets were bulging with stolen apples.

A badly gummed case of mistaken identity, with its many plastic complications, is the theme of the play, offering an opportunity to pack a carload of laughs into its three speedy acts. As a whole the play moves rapidly: tatters, red noses, hymn books, hysterical lovers, and all. Rehearsals are smoothing out, comedy is doubling up, and the year of 1925 will be given a rollicking impetus that should carry the good cheer far.

Not only are many of the local talented folk appearing in the play, but Scott Seaton, who has performed the delightful role of the Bishop 925 times "on the road" (when the production was in its heyday and convulsing every part of the United States), is coming to Carmel as a courtesy to Arthur Cyril to take part. Mrs. Marie Gordon, who played the part of the beautiful, loving Juanita in "The Rose of the Rancho" last October, will take the part of the Swedish servant girl, a comedy role that reveals Mrs. Gordon's brilliant versatility. Marian Daniels, who will be remembered for her beautiful performance in "Belinda," will also be seen in an entirely different role, that of a romantic old maid, showing, in turn, her versatility as an artist of the first rank. Arthur Cyril, who has often wrung a laugh from the most blaze, is directing the production and taking the stellar role. Yes, he is Jones, the hymn book salesman, to whom almost anything can happen—and to whom almost everything does. The cast of characters follows:

Jones..... Arthur Cyril
Ebenezer Goodly..... William Titmas
Anthony Goodly, D.D..... Scott Seaton
Richard Heatherly..... Aubrey Sleath
Holder..... Andrew Jacobsen
Bigbee..... Hal Bragg
Fuller..... Gerald Morrow
Mrs. Goodly..... Alice Ward
Cissy..... Jadwiga Noskowiak
Marjorie..... Constance Heron
Minerva..... Louise Church Wilson
Alvina Starlight..... Marian Daniels
Helma..... Marie Gordon
Understudy, Tom Bickle

And remember again, please, that a generous portion of the receipts goes to the Carmel firemen. Get your tickets now.

New Hotel Ready for Summer Visitors

The debris is removed from the scene of the recent La Playa hotel fire, preparatory to the construction of the new building. The foundations of the old building have been found to be intact and will be used for the new structure. Plans have been drawn and specifications determined upon for a first class fireproof building of two stories, so built that a third story may be added. Work will be rushed so that the hotel will be open to the public June 1, 1925.

The "Wee Acorn," published by the pupils of the Forest Hill School, was issued this week. It is a particularly attractive issue this time owing to the fact that a number of the stories carry illustrations. The subscribers to the little journal look forward eagerly to its monthly arrival.

January 1, 2 and 3—"What Happened to Jones." Arts and Crafts Theatre.

Wishes for Carmel For the Year 1925

M. J. Murphy—"That Carmel will continue to build more and better residences."

Mrs. Valentine Mott Porter—"That Carmel will continue to fight over those things that really matter."

R. C. DeYoe—"That the city trustees will continue to give property owners what they want in the way of street improvements."

R. F. Gillett—"That the new city sewer will be put through without further delay."

Harrison Godwin—"That the whole world will come to Carmel and the new La Playa."

W. L. Overstreet—"That the 1925 city budget will contain a provision for street signs."

John B. Jordan—"That Carmel and all the rest of the country will prosper under the Coolidge administration."

Little Jack Horner Was Right on the Job

A riot of fun, good cheer and the spirit of Christmas pervaded the atmosphere at the Arts and Crafts Theatre on Wednesday evening last, when the kiddies of the town entertained and were entertained with a Christmas fantasy given under the direction of Mrs. Alice

Mrs. Dradze, the housekeeper	Alice H. Ward
Peggy Spade, child of gardener	Mildred Pearson
Dorothy Perkins, housemaid	Gwynneth Willner
Caesar Spade, chief gardener	F. O. Robbins
Caesar Tipp, bellboy	Ross Burton
Sloane Commis, bellboy	Rowen Rapier
Hiram Cheep, foreman	L. T. Ward
Feather Duster Chorus—Wilma Bassett, Florence Edler, Mary Elizabeth Douglas, Carobel Springer, Helen Ward, Jane Foster, Helen Turner.	
Chorus of Plums—Josephine Dibrell, Carol Thudichum, Gwendolyn Snipes, Marian Minges, Mary Ammerman, Celeste Devant.	
Chorus of Spices—Margaret Springer, Nadine Fox, Jean Basham, Caroline Schupp, Patty Johnson, Jean Leidig, Mary Walker, Margery Rapier.	
Chorus of Baker Girls—Evelyn Arne, Virginia Rockwell, Merle Coffey, Adeline Strider.	
Chorus of Waiters—Charles Grimsaw, Carlisle Lewis, George Turner, William Payne, Jack Kellogg, Thomas Harbole.	

Carmel's Dramatic Record for 1924

Carmel as a center for the development and presentation of the drama certainly maintained its position during 1924. No less than twenty-five plays were presented, a number of them premiere productions. The added activity is of course due to the establishment of the Theatre of the Golden Bough, not only with its plays, but also with its school of dramatic arts. The year 1925, with the new theatre opening in the spring, bids fair to exceed twenty-five productions in 1924.

Aside from the undoubted artistic value of all the Carmel theatrical ventures, the financial value of these productions is significant.

A complete list of all the plays presented in this city during 1924 is as follows:

Date	Play	Producer
Jan. 11-12	Wild Oats	Perry Newberry
Feb. 9	Julius Caesar (Reading)	Frederick Warde
Feb. 22-23	Monkey's Paw	Arthur Cyril
Feb. 22-23	Op-o-me-Thumb	Edward G. Kuster
Mar. 28-29	Belinda	Arthur Cyril
May 2-3	Carmel Follies	Arthur Cyril and Charles Van Riper
May 30-31	The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife	Herbert Heron
May 30-31	The Gaol Gate	Herbert Heron
June 6-7	The Mother of Gregory	Maurice Browne (Author)
June 28	Bathsheba (Staged Poetry)	Hedwiga Reicher
July 3-4-5	Mr. Bunt	Ira Remsen (Author)
July 7	The Eastern Gate	Dorothea Johnston
July 11-12	Beyond the Horizon	O. M. Ness
July 25-26	Prunella	Katharine Cooke
July 29	What Every Woman Knows	Ellen Van Volkenburg
Aug. 7-9-10	Princess Who Would Not Say Die	Maurice Browne and Ellen Van Volkenburg
Aug. 8-9	Alice in Wonderland	Arthur Cyril
Aug. 15-16	The Princess Salome	Dan Tothieroh
Oct. 18	The Rose of the Rancho	Arthur Cyril
Oct. 16-17-18	The Nurserymaid of Heaven	Maurice Browne
Oct. 31, Nov. 1	You and I	Maurice Browne
Nov. 21-22	The Master Builder	Maurice Browne
Nov. 26-27	Shore Acres	John Northern Hilliard
Dec. 5-6	The Ship	Maurice Browne
Dec. 24	Plum Pudding	Alice Ward

The Soldier Fountain Is Now Completed

Carmelites need no longer be ashamed. The memorial fountain, erected in honor of "those who served," is practically completed. Man, bird and beast may now partake of their fill of aquapura or H₂O.

Thanks to the civic spirit of Ralph Miller and others, this job is complete, except for the teakwood board on which is being carved by C. Sumner Greene the inscription, "To Those Who Served."

Perhaps when the outstanding obligations are all paid we can have dedication ceremonies.

The New Library

Dora Chapple Hagemeyer, librarian of the Woodside Library, wishes to announce the arrival of the following new books: Wings, by Ethel Kelley; The Philosopher's Stone, by J. A. Larsen; Women in Love, by D. H. Lawrence; Music of the Past, by Wanda Landowska; Conversations in Ebury Street, by George Moore.

All suggestions for new books will be given careful consideration.

Ward. Needless to say the theatre was crowded, not only with children and grownups who are residents of Carmel, but with visitors from far and near.

Christmas would not be Christmas in Carmel were this entertainment omitted, and much credit is due Mrs. Ward and her associates for the time and attention given the affair.

Following is the cast of "The Christmas Plum Pudding":

Christmas Singers Spread Good Cheer

The spirit of Christmas was never more evident in Carmel than it is this year. Hundreds of gifts have been sent by Carmelites to friends abroad—in Europe, in Hawaii, and many other distant places—and many gifts have been received from far countries. The Christmas spirit has also been manifested in the amount of willing assistance given to charitable organizations. The cheering of many unfortunates is in itself a pleasure.

One of the most enjoyable parts of the Christmas activities here is the age-old custom of singing carols. To hear a chorus of clear young voices floating upon the still crisp air is enough to inspire anyone with happiness and good will at Christmas time. Every year the custom of singing carols is observed in Carmel with gratifying results to the people who have the good fortune to be serenaded. This year the chorus was composed of young boys of grammar school age who sang "Silent Night" and other Christmas hymns most delightfully early Monday evening. They visited and sang in various sections of the four quarters of the city.

The inspiring quality of their music was due in large measure to the work of Miss Miriam Arnold White.

In olden times the carolers propelled themselves about on their pedal extremities, but in this modern age they were able to cover a great deal of ground by more modern means of transportation.

Compliments for Mrs. Mary Austin

We in Carmel know and esteem the work of Mary Austin so highly that we feel that there is no more knowledge to acquire concerning her, but it is pleasant to know that more and more others are finding and appreciating her work. The following from the Personality page of The Centurian is interesting reading:

"Mary Austin, author of 'The Land of Journeys' Ending,' is a notable figure in American literature, and in many ways typical of America. Her inspiration is 'simon pure,' straight from the land she loves, and derived from no literary contacts or influences. Indeed, it has in it a spirit that is as individual to herself as was Walt Whitman's to himself—as broad and poetic and prophetic. And quite different, of course. Mrs. Austin seems to have discovered the rhythm of our land, and a sense of it runs through all her work."

"But we cannot undertake an interpretation here; this is merely a slight indication of her unique position in order to point the contrasts of her life."

"She was born in a small town in Illinois, and at eighteen she had taken a B.S. degree at a 'fresh water' college and had gone from her birth-state to California, the state we think of as really her own, to live. She spent the next eighteen years of her life on the edge of the Mohave desert in the neighborhood of Death Valley."

"Here she married, and has said that she 'led the life of an average housewife' in a town of three hundred inhabitants. Her chief intellectual interests were Indians and Indian lore, as well as all the wild lore of sheep-herders and forest rangers."

"During all this time Mrs. Austin knew no literary people, scarcely anyone who could be called intellectual in the conventional sense, and her opportunities for obtaining books were so limited that she was often reduced to reading the dictionary."

"Nevertheless, she managed to write four books in this period, and the fact that they were constantly recognized both here and in England as possessing remarkable qualities of style suggests once more the tremendous aid to simplicity and power which limited opportunities often prove to original spirits."

"When she left this home, Mrs. Austin built herself a house at Carmel, California, close to the old San Carlos Mission, and for many years has divided her time between Carmel, real Indian pueblos, small lost Spanish mountain towns—and the capitals of the world for sharp relief."

Make Better Friends of Our Animal Friends

This department is edited by Eunice T. Gray, to whom all communications should be sent, in care of the Pine Cone.

Have Dogs an After-Life?

Recently a number of prominent people have been asked their opinion on the subject, and their replies appear in the Dog World. Bernard Shaw's answer is concise:

"I never had a dog stupid enough to want to live forever," he says, "and I have never hated a dog enough to wish him such a fate."

George Graves and George Robey are less flippant. "If a dog's devotion dies with its body, I have lost faith," says Graves, while Robey writes that he thinks a dog, above all animals, is entitled to an after life, and adds that he would be delighted to think that his favorite dog would bear him company in the world beyond.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle says he has heard a seance-room filled with the barking of dogs, and that they have occasionally reappeared on psychic photographs. "All our pets of every sort—and very especially dogs—are with us in our next life," he maintains. "The bond of affection is one which survives death."

Sir Oliver Lodge thinks that the balance is strongly in favor of an affirmative reply. "By association with humanity," he says, "the higher animals seem to have gradually acquired some human attributes, notably, trust and affection."

Stray Dogs His Victims

A prominent New York surgeon, a professor in the Flower hospital medical school, has been summoned into a magistrate's court to defend himself against a charge of cruelty to animals,

it being alleged that these abuses were perpetrated in the course of experiments in vivisection. Investigators from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, detailed to observe the methods practiced, forcibly rescued six of the one hundred dogs which it is admitted, have been impounded for purposes of experimentation. It is insisted, in extenuation of the alleged offense, that the animals subjected to the experiments, are unlicensed dogs, or strays, which are homeless and without protection.

AIRPLANES TERRIFY WILD FOWL

The terrifying effect of airplanes upon wild fowl is so great that if any general use should be made of them in hunting the result would be exceedingly disastrous. Probably no other single method of pursuit of these birds could parallel their deadly effect in reducing the number of wild fowl. For this reason all sportsman and conservationists interested in the maintenance of our supply should interest themselves in gathering and forwarding to the Bureau of Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture accurate information concerning such violations of the law. This cooperation will be of the greatest practical value in helping to protect our wild-fowl supply, and owing to the small number of wardens, who must cover a vast territory, is much needed.

Since the Federal law against airplane hunting became effective, 19 cases have been reported, 6 having been obtained during the past year. There have been 8 convictions in all and 8 cases remain undisposed of.

Well-Known Resident Passes Away in S. F.

Wade Stewart, one of Carmel's best known known residents and mechanics, died in San Francisco the day before Christmas. When the summons came he was surrounded by relatives and friends.

The deceased came to Carmel about twenty years ago, and resided on the peninsula during all that period. He was born in Greentown, Mo., forty six years ago.

For some time before his last illness he was secretary of Local No. 1890 Carpenters and Joiners of America, which organization will have charge of the funeral at 2 o'clock on Monday, from Paul's undertaking parlors in Pacific Grove. Friends may call at the parlors from 1 to 5 tomorrow.

Deceased leaves a wife and mother, who live here, and a brother in Lincoln, Neb.

Mrs. Harpid Bussey and daughter Madeline of Anaheim, accompanied by Mrs. Fred Bussey of Balboa Beach are in Carmel for the winter.

DAYLIGHT HIGH AND LOW TIDES AT CARMEL

	Low	High
	Feet	Feet
Dec. 27	6:00 p-1.6	10:52 a 6.4
28	5:45 a 2.5	11:45 a 6.0
29	6:47 a 2.5	12:42 p 5.5
30	7:54 a 2.5	1:44 p 4.9
31	9:07 a 2.3	2:34 p 4.3
1	10:17 a 2.2	3:24 p 4.4
2	11:06 a 2.1	4:14 p 4.5

Local Rainfall Statistics

Reported by the Carnegie Laboratory, Carmel, to December 19, inclusive.

	Inches
Since September 1, 1924	4.45
Same date 1923	1.53
Total season 1923-24	7.29
Total season 1922-23	14.12
Total season 1921-22	23.71

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There has been much discussion in the past few years over this question of Christmas trees, in view of the rapid depletion of our forests and the increase in the waste land area.

There are those who stoutly contend that it is a foolish custom of pagan origin, not worthy of perpetuation in this enlightened Christian age, and that it is a senseless destruction of millions of young, thrifty trees that are so much needed to supply the timber requirements of the country.

But strangely enough, the foresters as a class, those who are most interested in conserving tree growth, do not share this concern about the Christmas tree. They are interested in growing trees and having them used for their highest good. If a ten-year-old tree, of which 2,000 or more can be grown upon a single acre, can give so much joy, what better use can be made of the trees?

The custom is so well established that it will never be wholly discarded, and why should it be? Is it not the Christmas tree that gives the setting for the celebration? What is more delightful to children than the Christmas tree with its candles or electric lights, silver trimmings, tinsel and the other things that go with it? Take away the Christmas tree and you have removed the chief charm. It is the something that is eloquent of sentiment and that has a much higher value than the cost of the tree. It is not to be measured by economic considerations or commercial computations.—Frank Herbert Sweet.

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Christmas Invitation an Insult to Mabelle

"A LOVELY Christmas present—an invitation to the opera—an insult! The beast! Oh, the beast! And to think I had grown so fond of him. How could he be so rude?" Mabelle clenched her fists and paced the floor, a deep red flush suffusing her face. She walked to the mirror over the mantle and looked at herself intently. "A bearded woman!" she said in contempt at herself. "I am bearded, of course—but the nerve of him! I've always intended to have that frightful hair removed from my upper lip. It is hideous, isn't it, mother? But oh, how could he be so unkind?"

"Why, daughter, what are you talking about? I don't understand. It seems to me if I were given an invitation to the opera as Christmas greeting I should be only too delighted. And what has hair on your upper lip to do with opera, anyway?"

"Oh, because, because," she sobbed; "the opera—it's—it's the 'Barber of Seville.'"

—Marion R. Rangan.

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REFLECTORS

IF WE could reflect the spirit of Christmas cheer half as brilliantly as a piece of tin will reflect the rays from a lamp, we should help to light the world to an amazing degree.

Who can hold out against a smiling face that radiates fun and kindness? Who is cold enough to resist the melting warmth of real friendliness?

Let's pretend, this Christmas, that we are very bright, and imitate the modest tin reflector of the lamp of unquenchable good-fellowship! —Martha Banning Thomas.

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LET US ASK OURSELVES A FEW QUESTIONS

As we near the close of the year, when business men, clerks and accountants are checking up the year's losses and gains, is it not a good time to take an inventory of ourselves in relation to what we have done for our community?

It is so easy to criticize others, including public officials as well as leaders in non-official, yet highly important, phases of civic work.

Far be it from the editor of this paper to claim exemption from the test we are about to place before us. Each one of us should ask these self-directed questions, and profit by the astounding results shown. Here is the test:

During the past twelve months what have I done to help this city, my community?

How many meetings in relation to civic problems have I attended? If my answer is that I have not been asked to attend such meetings, still my alibi is not complete. For why have I not placed myself in position to be asked? Why am I not on the list of live wires subject to call to battle when my community faces crises? What is wrong with me? In fact, why have I not called some meetings myself? Besides, is volunteer leadership ever outlawed? Is there, after all, any monopoly on civic work and community service?

How many committees have I served on to help my community, or its churches, charities, or its civic, commercial and industrial growth?

Have I stood on the street corner and criticized, or have I aided in the construction and in the discussion of problems to help bring about remedies for my town's conditions?

Have I "kicked" about certain civic leaders and officials and then smiled in the faces of my accused?

Have I really understood, or have I honestly tried to understand what my town is facing in regard to its future growth and the prosperity and happiness of its people? In short, have I cared?

Have I cleaned the rubbish off my own lot before criticizing my neighbor for not cleaning his?

Have I had the spirit of calmness, the quality of civic-mindedness, the love and charity of community life?

Have I seen any higher than my own counter, or looked any farther than the curbstone in front of my place of business?

Have I realized that, comparatively speaking, a few men and women of my community have actually supported it in a civic way, while I have not done my full duty nor contributed my full share?

Have I merely been "staying" in Carmel, or have I been living here? Have I been merely a resident of Carmel, or have I been one of its active citizens.

Here is the community test, a real test of citizenship. How many of us can make a satisfactory and passing grade?

WHY AN EDITORIAL COLUMN?

"The journalist who does nothing but paddle along with public opinion, without breasting the current of popular error, is of no value—none whatever."—James Goodhue.

Commenting on this statement of that versatile newspaper publisher, Will Curtis, former treasurer of the National Editorial Association, says:

"Every newspaper worthy of the name should aspire to be of the utmost service and help to its community. It can only do this if it directs the thought of the community and helps to crystalize public sentiment on worthy objects.

"The editor cannot make himself a force for good in the community unless he expresses his convictions through the paper.

"It is through the editorial column that he gives character to the paper.

"Papers with an outstanding editorial policy that are fair in their editorials, clear and able on the issues before the people, do wield an influence over other editors, and in that way multiply their power for good.

"The editor of the country weekly, because he is known to a great majority of his readers, has the rare opportunity to be a leader for all that is good in his community. If he would measure up to what is expected of him, if he would be the power for good that he should be in his community, he will make his impress every week in the editorial column of his paper."



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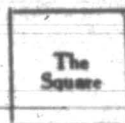
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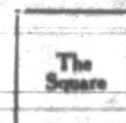
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CHRISTMAS PLAYS

The big feature of the Christmas closing exercises at Forest Hill School was the presentation of two plays by the children. The efforts of the little ones were much enjoyed by the grownups. Here are the casts:

Christmas Eve in an Attic

First Mouse..... Junior Flanner
Second Mouse..... Louise Bane
Tin Soldier..... Paul Hurst
Tiger..... Laura May Edmondson
Lion..... Bill Vander Roest
Jack-in-the-Box..... Bobby DeYoe
Mrs. Santa Claus..... Valentine Porter
Rough Doll..... Sylvia Flanner
Elephant..... Sigfrid Chandler
Wooly Dog..... Florence Edith Brown
Mr. Noah..... Alfred Sparks
Two Bears..... Meriam Clough
Andrew Clough
Two Kangaroos..... Jeanne Dow
Francis Edmondson

The Joyous Christmas Gift

Santa Claus..... Alfred Sparks
Mrs. Santa Claus..... Mrs. Garner
Zingo—An Elf..... Francis Edmondson
Bingo—A Brownie..... Andrew Clough
Donald from Scotland..... Bobby De Yoe
Mashinka from Russia..... M. Clough
Francesca from Spain..... L. Edmondson
Pancho from Mexico..... Paul Hurst
Gretchen from Holland..... Louise Bane
Betje, also from Holland..... Jeanne Dow
Hedda from Norway..... F. E. Brown
Suzanne from France..... S. Flanner
Anatole from Belgium..... S. Unander
Bianca from Italy..... Valentine Porter
Scene—Mrs. Santa's living room.

Weight of Human Heart.

An ordinary human heart weighs 10 ounces, yet its power is sufficient to raise its weight 20,280 feet in an hour.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

Deed—Estate of Henry Schwartz, deceased, to Isaac Goldstein, Lena Nadler and Dora Friedman, undivided half each. Lots 1 to 5, 7, 9, 11, block 89, Carmel City.

Deed—Carmel Development Co., ritff., vs. Leon Goldstein, Admr. Est. Rebecca Goldstein, deceased. Lots 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, block 87, addition No. 5, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Deed—William A. Cannon et ux. to Alice R. Comins. Lots 21 and 23, block FF, addition No. 3, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Deed—Jennie V. Cannon to Alice R. Cannon. Lots 21 and 23, block FF, addition No. 3, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Deed—Frank B. Comins et ux. to Raymond V. Wilson. Lots 19, 21, 24 and N. 35 feet of lot 17, block FF, addition, Carmel.

Deed—Carmel Development Co. to Ruth Huntington. Lots 7, 9, 11, block 27, addition No. 5, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Deed—Forrest Shreve et ux. to Harriet Norton. Gent. 17, S. half of lot 20 and N. half of lot 18, block EE, addition No. 3, Carmel-by-the-Sea.

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Buddhists Have Christmas

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Carmel Bluebirds

By Myrle K. Hutcherson

Have the bluebirds come to stay in Carmel, I wonder, or have they been here during all the winter months? We came just a few days ago so do not know, but I hope that they are not only stopping off between journeys but will stay forever to keep us company. It is wonderful to wake up these mornings and hear the meadow lark singing in the sunshine. It reminds me of fresh spring mornings in the north when in April the world is a meadow of green grass, golden dandelions, sunshine and singing. It seems like home again to hear a sweet, sweet and looking from my window to see a rosy breasted bluebird flitting amongst the grasses with his little brown mate. He differs to my little fellow in the north by means of the coat he wears. There, he is but a flash of bluest sky, something almost too exquisite to be real, too fairylike. I've wanted so to hold that bit of blue within my hand to see if it were true. I rather like the little fellow who is here. He seems more companionable, more likely to sustain the buffets of life. I am not surprised, when I look each morning, to find him still playing near.

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It is said of the Messiah in the book of Psalms, "Lo, I come . . . to do thy will, O God," and Christ Jesus proceeded to show forth that good-will of God by healing the sick and the sinner, feeding the multitudes, and even raising the dead.

It may be said of Christian Science also that it is come to do the will of God and that it is showing forth this good-will in the same manner. It has come with a message of salvation. It has come to show us that the will of God for every one is always happiness. It has come to say to a world that is torn with strife, bowed down with cares, sick at heart with loss and poverty: These things are NOT the will of God! Are you sick? God's will for you is health. Are you poor? God's will for you is plenty. Are you sad? The will of God for you is happiness. Are you discouraged? The good-will of God for you is comfort and success. Is anyone without a God? Then Christian Science offers you a God who is both Father and Mother, who "is closer than breathing and nearer than hands and feet." If there is any one here who doubts this, I would say to them, Try and see: for Christian Science does not ask you to BELIEVE these things, but to PROVE them. Unlike any other religion I know of, it does not ask you merely to believe anything, but shows you how to prove its every statement every step of the way. Its whole appeal is based on proof and demonstration. There is something stimulating, something encouraging in the very fact of being told that we can prove things for ourselves. It kindles hope, it arouses energy, it awakes the spirit of dominion, which was God's gift to the man He created. The Bible says that God gave man "dominion . . . over all the earth." How many of us are conscious of that dominion? And if not, why not? It is God's will for us. Think for a moment what it really means to have dominion over all the earth! It means the overcoming of everything that torments or limits or restricts you. It means the conquest of that "sin which doth so easily beset" you. It means to be the master of your circumstances, the master of your body. It means salvation from fear and from disease. It means that you can be a law to yourself of health and harmony and prosperity. It means to lift up your face to heaven, unafraid and unashamed. Now Christian Science has come to teach us this dominion. Christian Scientists are beginning to learn this dominion. They are beginning to know that God's will is GOOD, because rich blessings have begun to come into their lives, as they have resisted the belief that misfortune must come to them in fulfillment of God's will, and as they have clung to the fact that His will is fulfilled in goodness only.

I remember that when I was a child I sometimes heard the grown-up people round about me saying, in resigned accents, "Ah, well, it is God's will," and when I heard that expression I always shuddered, for I felt sure it meant that something terrible had happened! And invariably it had been used with that meaning—to explain away some calamity. Never did I hear that expression used to explain some of the good and beautiful happenings of the day. My friends, what an unreasoning tyrant many of us have set up and called by the name of God! And yet, the one who came to do the will of God, who said of himself, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father," overcame calamity of every description and went about doing good. His gracious answer to every one who came to him and asked for healing was always: "I will, be thou whole! Was there a storm and danger of shipwreck? Christ Jesus commanded the winds and the waves and there was a great calm. Was there a shortage of food or even of wine at the marriage feast? He supplied them instantly. Was there a lack of money? He found it in the fish's yel-

low. When sinners came to him caught in the maelstrom of human passions, he freed them instantly. When death itself, the last enemy, appeared, it fled at his command. "He spoke the word and raised the dead." No wonder that we call him the Master!

Thus, evidently, the Master knew it was God's will that men should be well and happy, that they should have enough, and to spare, that conditions should be harmonious, that destructive storms should cease, and finally that men should live. Not die, but live! "Why will ye die, O house of Israel?" said the prophet. These signs were indeed a proof of "good will toward men," a will not to be feared, but to be loved and desired, and it was inevitable that God's will should be of this sort. Why? Simply because God loves us, because His very nature is Love. At this point some one may say: But I do not believe in God at all, much less that He is Love. I would reply: But you DO believe in love, you do believe that it exists, and you are conscious yourself of some degree of affection for some one. No one exists that has not had some unselfish impulse at some time, some fleeting glimpse of love. Where does it come from? It must have a cause, for there can be no effect without a cause. An evil cause could not send forth good, intelligence could not come forth from nonintelligence. It is a truism that "the same fountain cannot send forth both sweet waters and bitter" (Science and Health, p. 455). Therefore "the great First Cause" must be intelligence, for we are all conscious of some intelligence. Equally "the great First Cause" must be good, because we are all conscious of some good, and finally "the great First Cause" must be Love, and for this reason, that Love contains no element of destruction. Only that which is devoid of any element of discord or friction is eternal. Were it possible to conceive of a first cause that was evil, it would long ago have destroyed itself. On the other hand, physical scientists tell us that if we could eliminate all friction, the human body could live forever. The theory of perpetual motion has not yet been demonstrated because it has not been found humanly possible to eliminate all friction in any instance.

If then we concede that God is Love, what would naturally be the will of Love? It is the nature of Love to give, to bless. Let any mother in this audience ask herself whether she desires the best for her children. What then of the infinite Mother, the divine Love that is God? This divine Love lives to lavish its rich blessings upon its offspring. Love has only love to bestow upon all equally. It says to each individual problem, to each individual heartache, My will for you is bliss. I WILL, be thou whole! When we know this the sick are healed.

And what must be the nature of the universe created by this divine Love, that is also all power? Mrs. Eddy, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science, tells us in one of her works (Message for 1902, p. 6) that "God is infinite Love, including nothing unlovely, producing nothing unlike Himself, the true nature of Love intact and eternal." She also says in her book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (p. 247): "It is Love which paints the petal with myriad hues, glances in the warm sunbeam, arches the cloud with the bow of beauty, blazons the night with starry gems, and covers earth with loveliness." At this point the question naturally arises: How is this teaching to be reconciled with what we see around us? What about the sickness and the sorrow; where did they come from? To these questions Christian Science answers, These things are the negation of God's creation; they are the result of ignorance, an ignorance which yields to all ignorance must of necessity yield to true knowledge, true educa-

tion.

To illustrate, we shall all agree that the multiplication table is an omnipresent idea. If you found yourself on a desert island, the multiplication table would be there. If you should visit Mars or any other planet, you would find the multiplication table just as near and available, should you require it. You carry it with you wherever you go, it is comprised in your consciousness, and so you can never lose it or be separated from it. But to the savage or the uneducated, the multiplication table would not be present or available. Their ignorance of it would make it seem absent and useless to them. Again, electricity is always at hand and available, and through its application affords us light, heat, transportation, and numberless good things. Yet to our ancestors and to the savage of today electricity was and is unknown and unavailable, absent instead of present, because of their ignorance. I will not weary you by enumerating other instances, but will take these two to serve my purpose of illustration. Now what is the result of ignorance of the multiplication table? Confusion, stagnation. Civilization could not exist without it. The savage cannot compete with the white man, on account of his ignorance of it. Similarly, ignorance of the laws that govern electricity would deprive us of light and heat and speed and other conveniences. Then, if such conditions of ignorance afflict and penalize us to such an extent, what, we may well ask, is the result of ignorance of God Himself? Just here, let us remember that to the savage on his island the multiplication table is absent and invisible, practically nonexistent, while to the educated man who stands beside him, it is present and available. ALTHOUGH EQUALLY INVISIBLE. Just so it is with us concerning spiritual good. We stand on our islands of limitation and disease, and say: Good is absent and helpless to relieve us; love is nowhere to be seen and we do not know how to apply it. What then do we need? Simply knowledge, education, and, above all, the discovery of those laws that govern health and harmony. This discovery has been made. What a discovery was that!

Just over fifty years ago a New England woman on what was supposed to be her deathbed asked for her Bible, read in it, and as she did so saw what no one else had seen since the days of the Master, and was raised instantly from death to life. Many would have remained satisfied with the joy of that experience. All through the ages there have been cases of healing through uplifted faith, and those healed have been content to leave the subject without further investigation, without seeking the divine Principle and rule which would operate in every instance. Not so the Discoverer of Christian Science. It was not enough for her to be healed herself, she must learn the law that governed such an experience, in order that she might share its blessings with others. She could not rest until she had found the way to bring this healing to her brothers and sisters. Impelled by this intense and selfless desire, she searched the Scriptures until, as she writes of herself on page 107 of Science and Health: "In the year 1866, I discovered the Christ Science or divine laws of Life, Truth, and Love, and named my discovery Christian Science." Like all other discoverers, she then began to put her discovery to the test. She went out seeking for people to heal. She healed the sick and the suffering on every side. She gathered together a handful of followers whom she taught to demonstrate for themselves this Principle of healing; with no one to help her, no influential friends to support her, with the jeers of an incredulous world to greet her, running contrary to the whole current of human belief and established convictions, this one lone woman, undaunted and undismayed, founded a church with countless adherents all over the world, a religion that has increased more rapidly than any other in history, and all this within the space of less than half a century. What is the explanation of such an achievement? Who shall attempt it? There is just one explanation. It is very short and very simple. It is given in familiar words. It is this: "One with God is a majority." Who can doubt that God was with her? Who can doubt that she has brought a knowledge of Him that is dispelling our ignorance and dispelling the penalties and afflictions that go with ignorance? Who can doubt that God is no respecter of persons, but that He who enabled Mary Baker Eddy to heal herself and others of disease is helping us to heal ourselves and others in the same way? Well may we say of her in the words

of Browning's "Pompilia":

"Through such souls alone
God stooping shows sufficient of his
light
For us i' the dark to rise by. And I
rise."

Now this discovery of Mrs. Eddy's came to her as a revelation, and it was the revelation of another aspect of God, if I may so call it. Christ Jesus came to teach us that God is our Father. Christian Science has revealed to us the Motherhood of God. All that makes for sweetness, tenderness, and protection is associated with the word "mother" and comes to us primarily from our mothers. No human mother even in the animal world the female of the species will frequently lay down her life for her offspring. Then to know God as Mother is to be certain beyond all possibility of doubt that He never sends sin, disease, or death upon His children, but is available to heal them. When, through Christian Science, I learned to know God as Mother, the whole world was changed for me. I lost the sense of a stern Judge, waiting to condemn me for every wrong thought or deed. I ceased to dread an inscrutable wisdom that would send calamity upon me for my good. I no longer feared that I might be the sport of circumstances or the victim of relentless fate. I learned that I could go to God as my Mother in every trouble, and I saw that I might not be able to plan well enough for myself, but that the divine Mother would give me my "heart's desire."

Here some one may say, Well, that sounds very comforting, but how can we prove it to be true? Now that is the very purpose of a Christian Science lecture, to show in some degree how these things can be proved. Consoling phrases are of no account unless they can be made practical in our everyday lives, and it is its practicality which gives Christian Science its tremendous value. How then can we prove that the Father-Mother God does not send sin, disease, and death, but heals them? In reply to this inquiry I should like to say that the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," answers this and every other question more simply, more perfectly, more completely, than anything else can possibly do, and I would ask you most earnestly to seek the answer to this question in that book. It can be had at most of the public libraries and at all of our Christian Science reading rooms, and may be borrowed free of charge. Let me, however, indicate in a few words the "modus operandi" of this Science.

In the first place, Christian Science takes as its premise that all cause and effect are mental. We have touched upon the fact that the first cause must be intelligence, Mind, since only Mind could produce intelligent beings, and that Mind is good, or Love. Therefore, the effect or outcome of divine Mind, Love, must express these same qualities, since like produces like. A perfect creator implies a perfect creation. In the language of Genesis, God made "man in his own image." The image of good must be good; the image of Spirit must be spiritual. There is no escape from this simple logic. If we believe that God IS, and that He is Spirit, then the man whom He made in His likeness must be just like Him—must be spiritual. It was this truth about man's relationship to God which Jesus came to teach. His consciousness of divine sonship was the Christ which animated him and which he declared to be "without beginning of years or end of days" (Science and Health, p. 333) when he said, "Before Abraham was, I am." In his human nature Jesus "was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin," because the healing Christ then as now "taketh away the sin of the world." It was his knowledge of this divine sonship which enabled him to do his mighty works, which enabled the Son of man to make manifest the Son of God.

This is the Christ-Truth, a knowledge of which Jesus said would make us FREE. Free! What a glorious word that is! What does it mean to be free? It means to be in bondage to no man and to no thing, to no habit, and to no circumstance. Watch the flight of a sea-gull, bearing up against the wind. Mark the poise, the control, the swift dart upwards, and the perfect rhythm of its wings. It has the mastery of the elements. In the mastery of the elements of error largely consists our freedom. You, who are the citizens of the freest nation in the world, how you must prize your birthright, and how

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right it is that you should claim that higher heritage—the liberty of the sons of God! This is done by claiming the spiritual selfhood which belongs to each one of us, and by acknowledging that we are God's perfect spiritual children, made in His image.

Yet on every hand the senses bear opposite testimony. Consequently, Christian Science bids us deny the evidence of the senses. This is where many have taken issue with Christian Science; and yet we are denying the evidences of the senses every minute in some respects, for these same senses tell us that the earth is motionless, that the sun rises and sets, that the earth and sky meet on the horizon.

These things testify falsely in these instances, is it not reasonable to conclude that they may do so in others? The earth FEELS very still, but that feeling is a mistake.

In Christian Science we are asked to deny sense evidence in order to obtain higher evidence. It is not Christian Science to sit down in the midst of discord with a contented smile and say that all is harmony. Nor are we told, as has sometimes been said, to "imagine" ourselves well. Nor has Christian Science treatment anything to do with willing the sick to recover. It is in fact the very antithesis of will-power and has nothing in common with auto-suggestion or self-mesmerism. It is not the action of one mortal mind upon another mortal mind. It is the utilization of the truth about God and man. It is the absolute conviction that GOD IS—that He is not a name but a fact, that He is good, that He is power, and that He is present everywhere, the divine Principle for us to understand, apply, and utilize in the healing of sin and sickness. It is prayer in the highest sense of the word, for Christian Science treatment, which has sometimes been called mysterious, is simply prayer—the prayer of faith and understanding. It is true that the prayers of Christian Scientists contain less of petition and more of affirmation than the prayers of those belonging to other denominations, but in this they follow the example of Jesus the Christ. Before Lazarus was raised he said, "Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me." And again, that wonderful prayer in the seventeenth chapter of John consists largely of the affirmation or declaration of Truth.

It has sometimes been said that Christian Scientists have another Bible, a Bible of their own. A more mistaken, a more untrue statement, could not be made. Christian Science is founded upon the Scriptures. Mrs. Eddy tells us that in following the leadings of scientific revelation the Bible was her only textbook, and a study of the Bible is a necessary corollary of the study of Christian Science. It is named as one of our textbooks, and the purpose of our other textbook, Science and Health, is to act as a key to the Scriptures. Moreover, all Christian Science services begin with the statement that the Bible and Science and Health "are our only preachers." I remember that when I came to Christian Science, the first thing which happened was that the Bible became a new book to me. Formerly, I had always thought of it as so much beautiful literature, but it suddenly became practical and demonstrable, the LIVING Word, full of golden promises, capable of PRESENT fulfillment. This experience of mine is generally true of most students of this Science. To return, however, to the subject of prayer. On the first page of Science and Health the following statement is made: "Desire is prayer, and right desire coupled with right knowing, or true knowing, may be said to constitute a Christian Science treatment. Now this knowing is POWER, and Christians of today need to learn the joyful fact that prayer is indeed a power."

Let us take a simple illustration. Suppose some one to be seized with fatigue and weakness, so that he seems unable to continue his work. What should he do? Let him realize that God is Life and that God is HIS Life, and that this sensation of weariness is no more true than the sensation of the motionless earth; that God the creator "fainteth not, neither is weary," and that since man is made in God's likeness, he cannot be weary either. Further, let him remember that God is his strength, and that he can claim and call upon all the strength of God for his support. Then let him rejoice in this truth and stick to it, and he will feel the benefit.

Therefore, when confronted with discord of any description, the mentally alert Christian Scientist declares unswervingly the perfection of man and the universe as created by God, and also the power and availability of divine Love to overcome the evil, until the dis-

cordant evidence begins to abate and some evidence of health and harmony appears.

If the case be one of sickness, the patient sees the symptoms change, feels the physical improvement, and so has the witness in himself that the truth which has been declared "does things," that it has effect, good effect, and he begins to realize that he has found the key to the mastery of all human problems. As he continues the study of Christian Science, he finds also that it is wrong thinking of some description that has caused his troubles, and that right thinking corrects them. Fear, worry, sorrow, sin, discouragement—all these things disappear, and the worst of these is fear. Think for a moment of the physical effects of fear (which is, mark you, wholly a state of mind) upon the body. Fear will blanch the cheek and make the teeth chatter. It will cause the strongest man to tremble like an aspen leaf. It will change the action of the heart and affect the voice. Sudden fears, as the poet Byron remarks in his "Prisoner of Chillon," have made the hair grow "white in a single night." Surely, it should make us stop and think when we see how a mental state, an emotion, claims to control and derange all the functions of the physical body. We shall agree, in the instances just given, that the colorless face, the whitened hair, the altered circulation of the blood, had a wholly mental cause, that the action of the mind upon the body produced these violent effects. It would seem both natural and intelligent to pursue such a conclusion a little further. If this be true of one mental condition, may it not be true of all, and may we not find that hidden, secret fears are the cause of half, if not all, the sickness and limitation we see around us? Of what paramount importance is it, then, that we should find an antidote for fear, that we should find a way of eliminating it from our consciousness!

My friends, there is a remedy. It is to learn to be aware of the Motherhood of God; it is to learn to understand the tender good-will of God to us. Much that has been taught us in the name of religion has only served to increase our fears. The God of mistaken theology is a punishing God. The God that Christian Science reveals is a God of infinite compassion, who does not condemn, but heals, and who causes His sun to shine on the just and on the unjust.

Here let it be said that Christian Science does not condone sin in any instance, but destroys sin, by destroying the false desire which produces it. It condemns the sin, but not the man. Nor is this teaching in any wise new or anti-Christian. Eighteen centuries ago, the master Christian, when asked to sit in judgment on a woman, first silenced her accusers and then uttered that divine verdict, "Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more."

It is plain that there is implied in such forgiveness the true healing of sin, which is the destruction of sin. In like manner, Christian Science enables us to wipe sin out forever in the most effectual way, because it heals the wrong desire which is its cause. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the fact that Christian Science frees us from wrong desire. It is one thing to tell the drunkard that he must fight against his false appetite. It is quite another to destroy that false appetite through the realization that it confers no pleasure and that God has endowed man with dominion.

Here in the United States of America you have all seen the good effects of your humane and progressive system of prison reform. It was once my privilege to be taken over Sing Sing Prison and to be made acquainted with some of the splendid results which have followed the system inaugurated by that great humanitarian, Thomas Mott Osborne. The men I saw there that day did not look desperate, they did not look despairing, nor had they the sullen callousness of expression so often seen with prisoners. There was hope in their faces, and interest and activity, and one got the impression that the prison was to be to them a place of education and reform. I have been told that while in some instances the trust reposed in these prisoners was abused, yet in the large majority of instances it answered admirably, arousing the latent good, awakening some self-respect, and going far toward redeeming the character.

I hope that very soon other countries may follow your humane lead.

In some of your prisons Christian Science services are held, and Christian Science literature is distributed; these have had good results, because they have shown the prisoners how to free themselves from evil desires, and how

to gain a realization of the divine sonship, thus lifting from them the burden of condemnation.

There is nothing so stultifying as condemnation, nothing so disabling. The very thought of being God-condemned induces fear and depression. Now Christian Science has come to teach us that God never condemns any one, because Love is incapable of condemnation and is of "purer eyes than to behold . . . iniquity." Evil is self-condemned. The human mind condemns itself and others, but let it only weary of sin and turn towards God, and it will find the divine compassion ever ready and willing to heal and save. As Mrs. Eddy has so beautifully said in Science and Health (p. 322): "Our disappointments, and ceaseless woes, turn us like tired children to the arms of divine Love. Then we begin to learn Life in divine Science."

The human mother is slow to condemn her child, however far he has gone astray or however often he may have offended. Her heart yearns over her offspring, and she forgives "until seventy times seven." That is the office of a mother, so to speak, to forgive and to save, to comfort and to correct. Christian Science has come to perform the office of a mother in human consciousness, freeing it from its fears and loosening it from condemnation.

Let us pause here to consider what else the office of a mother includes. The child learns its first lessons of obedience from its mother, and a truly loving mother is the one who teaches her child to obey quickly. We are most of us familiar with the spectacle of the spoiled child. I remember hearing a mother call her child again and again to come in from the hot sun where she was playing, but the child paid no heed whatever, so that finally her mother had to go and carry her struggling indoors. Now suppose that child had been on the edge of a precipice; would her mother have been able to save or protect her by calling her away? In the same manner divine Principle, which is Love, demands our obedience, and we can only be sure of our own protection by obeying its commands.

This word Principle, which Christian Scientists use for God, may sound cold and abstract at first, but if we turn to the dictionary, we shall find that it stands for source, origin, fundamental truth, law, that which is unvarying. Therefore the word Principle represents God to us as the origin of all, governing the universe through immutable laws, as divine Love without variable-ness or shadow of turning.

It is natural that such a concept of God as Christian Science teaches should bring forth a church which is known as The Mother Church, and which is confined to no race or country. Its activities are all healing activities and it provides Christian occupation for all its members.

This organization was planned and established by Mrs. Eddy alone, just as she alone wrote the textbook of Christian Science, and gave to the movement its periodicals and its daily newspaper. They were all directly the outcome of her vision of the new-old truth which Christian Science teaches. Many have asked, Why should this vision have come to her, and how did it come? The gospel says, "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Therefore, we are unspeakably grateful for the purity which enabled her to see these things, and PROVE them, and share them with us.

In conclusion, one of our poets has said:

"For God is the infinite Mother
Who has borne and carried us all."
And in line with this thought a Christian Scientist has written:
"Each separate child of God is beautiful,
Dwelling in Heaven, his forever home,
Where calls the Father-Mother to the son,
'Live, my beloved, in reflecting Me.'"

Royal Books for National Library

There is soon to be established a national library of Turkey, in which the existing libraries of the Universities and the private library of the former Sultan, Abdul Hamid, will be united. Turkish experts are at present studying the methods of organization of the public libraries in Europe capitals. Manuscripts of great value were collected in Constantinople in the course of the past centuries, and it is hoped to make many of them accessible to the world by the new organization.

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There are times and places when and where it seems as if Columbus discovered America, pioneers developed it, patriots defended it solely and entirely for the benefit of the billboard man. Loyal citizens pay taxes that their cities may be made fair and decent, and promptly the billboard man comes along and defaces them with unsightly advertisements. The people's money is spent in perfecting the public highways for the traveler by road, and again the billboard man comes along and his horrible eyesores mar out the landscape. Trains run through tunnels of billboards. On water fronts the beauty is marred by the advertiser's signs flashed through the night. Wherever you go, from Florida to Maine, from New York to California, you are asked all the way to buy, wear, eat, drink and chew this, that and the other, until you wonder if the world was made simply for the benefit of the man with "goods" to sell.

The Apologist's Argument
Why this should be endured is a question that just now intelligent people are asking. At the much-talked-about meeting to protest against billboards held in New York not long since, the billboard's advocate gave his explanation: There was a period two or three centuries ago, he said, when men were concerned with art and great art was produced. But that period has happily passed, and in this sensible age men are concerned with commerce, and "goods" must be bought and sold if commerce is to prosper. "Goods" cannot be sold unless they are advertised, and in a word, to cut his argument short, if towns and country are not given over to the advertiser to work his will upon, there will be an end for commerce and bankruptcy for the world.

But it is hard to believe, despite the commercialism of modern civilization, that we have as yet got to the point when nothing exists for us save buying and selling, or when our very survival depends upon billboards. If we had got to that point, far better would it be to let the billboards go and the crash come at once. Besides, there are plenty of other places where the man of commerce can and does advertise, less offensively for the amenities. In newspapers sively perhaps, but with no greater result the news is lost in large pages of advertisements; in magazine articles, poems, and stories are pegs to hang advertisements upon. This is bad enough, but at least one knows where the advertisements are to be found and can hunt them up or avoid them as one chooses. The billboard is forced upon us whether we want to consult it or not—indeed, when we want especially not to consult it but to see what it conceals.

Out of Place at Best
The billboard man's excuse is that he has improved, is continuing to improve the billboard, that he is making of it a work of art. But if he were—and he is not, for the latest fashion in billboards is an insult to intelligence—this is no excuse. Even a work of art, if misplaced, may be objectionable. The billboard offends the eyes of every man with eyes to see, and it is in the wrong place when it shouts at us from city streets that might otherwise be beautiful, and from hills and valleys through which otherwise ours might be the path of peace. He has already so taken possession of every hole and corner where a billboard may be stuck that it would seem as if there were no futher territory for him to conquer.

But his ingenuity is inexhaustible. The latest notion comes from England: To round out the designs on the hoardings and the housetops, the advertising man would, in a mosaic of gay and brilliant colors call to us from the pavement as we walk the excellence of his wares, and never allow us to forget for one little minute, whether we look up or down, that we live in a commercial age. Altogether, if something is not done, and promptly done, to restrain the billboard, the advertising man, the world threatens to become one large background for his advertisements.

—Christian Science Monitor.

Christmas in Dixie

Way down South in de land ob cotton,
An' down in de pine-tree grove,
De possum pie an' not fo' gotten
When de Christmas time comes roun'
Hooray fo' de chickens an' de hot-cohn pone!
Hooray, hooray, fo' de sweet ham bone!
—Leslie's Weekly.

Books, pamphlets, announcements
printed by the Pine Cone Press.

PINE NEEDLES

Peter Druhe and another boy got lost in the hills one cold night last week, and were out all night. The worried parents were mighty glad when the kids were found.

Edward G. Kuster is leaving for Honolulu next week. When he returns in the early spring the Golden Bough will be opened, and the opening will be a gala one.

Last week Judge Charles T. Hecker fined a Carmel bootlegger \$500. The Pine Cone had the whole detailed story, but did not print it last Saturday. The Monterey paper spread it all over the front page.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Wallace and Mrs. Young Hunter were among the guests at a dinner given last week in honor of Mrs. Charles S. Stanton by Miss Catherine Corrigan.

The musical afternoon at the studio of Mrs. B. L. Clarke will be resumed at 4 o'clock on Sunday, January 4. On account of the holiday season tomorrow's musical will be omitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Luther have gone to Santa Barbara, to remain until May, when they expect to return to Carmel. Their friends in the musical fraternity here will miss them.

Arthur J. Hammond, who has been occupying the Schreff studio here for several months, has been exhibiting his paintings at the Municipal Auditorium in Oakland. Two of his Carmel pictures were recently purchased by Gump's.

Will S. Cooper, his wife and son were in Carmel last week. Dr. Cooper is on sabbatical leave from the University of Minnesota, where he is a professor in botany. He used to take part in the Forest Theatre plays.

Ida Mansfield-Wilson is spending the holidays in San Francisco and Alameda. On New Year's Eve there will be held at the Mansfield-Wilson cottage a watch-meeting. The social part of the program will begin at 9 o'clock.

A new-comer in Carmel for the winter is Mary E. Laing. She comes from Wheelock College in Boston, where she was formerly an instructor in psychology. She is the author of a volume of Indian history, under the title, "The Hero of the Long House."

Mrs. Charles S. Stanton of San Francisco has been in Carmel for a day or two last week to dismantle her summer cottage, preparatory to going abroad. She sails from New York on the French liner, "Paris," on January 7, in company with Miss Ada Howe Kent and Mrs. Walter Fisher Kilpatrick of Carmel Highlands, and expects to remain in Europe through the summer.

Percy Parkes will save you money on your new home; save you overhead. Adv.

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Their Christmas Gift a Wonderful Blessing

"I HAVE been planning for months to give a great Christmas surprise to my sister Grace, way out in Idaho," remarked Aunt Molly to her neighbor, Mrs. Wiggins, as they both sat knitting in the former's comfortable sitting room. "Here is her boy Ralph, whom I brought here three months ago for a visit—the poor lad has been blind for five years, since he was three years old, and I took him to a specialist for an examination. The doctor said that an operation for cataracts could be successful. I am waiting for the morrow almost, breathlessly, for they are to remove the bandages from his eyes to test his sight. And oh, Mrs. Wiggins, let us pray that all will be well!"

God was good to the blind boy and the operation was very successful. When the mother went east to visit her sister there was a great blessing—the happiest Christmas of her life—for her boy could see! There is something more than toys, fineries and other material things to help make a joyful Christmas!—Alec Tupper.

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Short Bits Relating to *The Seven Arts*

Tell Them About It

An appeal to the radio audience to be more generous in showering applause on contributing artists by means of mail is made by Oliver W. Tuttle, managing director of radio station "KPO."

Tuttle declares that less than 1 per cent of those who listen-in to a radio concert take the trouble to write their thanks for the entertainment furnished. He adds further:

Those who sit amid the comfort of their homes and receive music, song and speech over their radio seldom take the trouble to go out into the night to mail a card or letter of appreciation. The average radio enthusiast is contented to let the other fellow do it but I believe if the audience fully realized how essential the matter is to staging good talent more effort would be given such activity.

While it is true a radio broadcasting station receives heavy mail, a greater quantity is desired to permit those who participate with their talent an opportunity to gain a fair impression as to how well they are received.

Those who contribute entertainment are deserving of praise and we would recommend that the audience be more liberal with their mail of appreciation.

Little Theatre Magazine

Recognizing the value to the stage and the art of the theatre of the Little theatre movement, the New York Drama League is issuing *The Little Theatre Monthly*, the first number of which appeared in November, and also a weekly pamphlet, which began publication at the same time. These periodicals aim to give Little Theatre groups the news of the movement, information as to plays that are suitable, advice on matters of production, scenery, lighting, properties, costumes.

Our Accomplishments— What Have They Been?

I HAVE always found, even in youth, quite as much interest in looking back as in looking forward. It is good to plan for the future, but there is quite as much to be gained from reviewing the past and in seeing how far we have come, how much we have accomplished, in what ways we have developed.

I was talking to Foreman about the year that is so nearly at an end. He was dissatisfied with his progress and uncertain as to whether or not the time and money he had expended had been worth while. He had learned little, it seemed; for all he could see, he wasn't different than when he had left the little country town nine months ago. But I could see that he was a little more self-possessed, a little surer of himself, a little less crude in his manners. He was learning to think, learning to meet people, and developing a little wider range of interest than when he left home.

As you come to the end of the year and look back, how far have you come? It is an easy question to ask, but possibly not so easy to answer.

When we were little children at home, mother used to teach us after we had said our prayers at night to go over in our minds for a minute or two the events of the day and try to determine whether it had been a good day for us or a bad one. Often we dropped off to sleep before we had gone far, but it was a good experience, this looking over our accomplishments in the face and trying honestly to estimate them. It is something like this that I should like to put before you as this year is closing. What has the year meant to you? New friends? New powers? New ideas? Have you done something worth while? Are you better, stronger, more able to fight the battles of the world than you were a year ago? Are you wiser with a wisdom that is clean, healthy and uplifting? If so, the year is ending happily for you.—Thomas A. Clark.

S. M. Tucker is editor of the monthly with Theodore Fuchs as managing editor.

Gilmer Brown, head of the Pasadena Community Theatre, the most successful non-professional body of players in the country; Alexander Dean, Walter Hartwig, Oliver Hinsdell and Frederick H. Koch form an advisory board of editors.

The plans of the magazine, of which the first issue has twelve pages and many good-looking illustrations of settings in various Little Theatres, are set forth as follows: To give a list of plays, short and long, of fine quality; to present pictures of playhouses, settings, playwrights; articles of general interest; papers on special phases of production; a series of stories about interesting playhouses; a series on distinguished playwrights, and another on Little Theatre workers; current news of the professional "art theatres," reviews of significant productions, criticisms of books and plays, and short technical articles.

The Bible as Good Literature

Evidenced by the fact that it has had a greater sale than any other book, the Bible is recognized as of high merit from a literary standpoint, as well as for its spiritual value. The appeal for Bible reading has become so universal that few question its value as good reading, but lovers of good literature point out choice gems of reading in the holy book to suit the most fastidious.

In this day of thousands of publications to attract readers, it does no harm to place emphasis on the Bible as good literature, aside from its primary and more fundamental mission as a spiritual text-book. In this way many otherwise indifferent people are brought into closer contact with holy writ.

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Carmel, California.
HUGH W. COMSTOCK,
Carmel, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands, this 20th day of December, 1924.

MAYOTTA B. COMSTOCK,
HUGH W. COMSTOCK,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF MONTEREY.

S.S. On this 20th day of December, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-four (1924), before me, R. C. DeYoe, a Notary Public in and for said County of Monterey, State of California, personally appeared MAYOTTA B. COMSTOCK and HUGH W. COMSTOCK, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

R. C. DEYOE,
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"Last spring, rats killed all our baby chicks. With I'd known about Rat-Snap before. With just one Rat-Snap package we killed swarms of rats. They won't get this year's hatches. I'll bet." Rat-Snap is guaranteed and sells for 35c, 65c, \$1.25.

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Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Wednesday Evening Meeting at 8:00.
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Sunday Service 11:30 a. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
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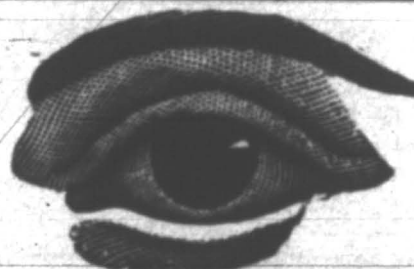
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Pine Needles

Doctor Thudichum and Geraard Morrow are here from the south for the holidays. The latter will play a part in "What Happened to Jones."

The Eisenbergs of Mira Flores (the former Rancho La Playa), down the coast, are spending the holidays in San Francisco. Early in the new year they plan a trip to their old home in Honolulu.

Anne Shannon Monroe has as house guests during the holidays Dr. and Mrs. Leon E. Story of San Francisco. Mrs. Story is a sister of Miss Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerr F. Albertson have as their guest Mrs. Albertson's father, Wellington Boulter, a pioneer manufacturer of Picton, Ontario, Canada, who has come to California to spend his declining years, and is building a home in Beverly Hills.

Attorney Joseph Hutchinson and wife and Mrs. Hutchinson's brother, Tom Hooper, will be here from San Francisco today, to remain until New Year.

The Young house on the Point is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lachmund, who got in from Duluth, Minn., last Tuesday, to spend the holidays with Mrs. Mabel Gray Young. Harry Lachmund, in the federal service in San Francisco, is also here.

Mr. D. H. Harthorn have as guests their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harthorn and two children, who arrived this week from Mexico.

The biggest week's business since its establishment is the record of the local post-office, and the heavy Christmas mail was received, distributed and dispatched most efficiently.

Opportunities

WILL CLEAN your Rugs, Furniture, Curtains, etc., with own vacuum cleaner. Also want work of any kind for young man. P.O. Box 431, Carmel.

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FOR RENT—Rand-Rogers bungalow on beach. Five rooms completely and attractively furnished. Electric range and water-heater, fireplace, telephone, etc.; also garage and garage bedroom. Inquire of Carmel agents or write Mrs. Rand-Rogers, 550 South Sixth st., San Jose.

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Lost and Found While Christmas Shopping

LITTLE MARIE, jostled from one side to the other of the pavement by the hurrying Christmas shoppers, became suddenly panicky. What if she would never, never see her mamma again? How, in all that mob of hurrying, brusque people could she ever find her? The streets and sidewalks were a black mud color from the snow trampled down by the thousands of people and vehicles passing over them. What if she should slip and fall and cover herself with that mud, and never be able to recognize her? She would be lost; she would have to walk the streets like this forever and ever—oh! oh! Two large tears trickled down her cheeks and a great sob shook her little frame. A large-nosed Santa Claus in a red flannel suit grinned at her and shook a little tin cup which tinkled with many coins. On the corner a small group of blind beggars were singing Christmas carols in cracked, ugly voices. Marie stopped in front of them, watched them for a while, then suddenly remembering her loneliness, burst into a loud shriek. Several people stopped pityingly and inquired her name and where she lived, but she could not tell them, for the sobs were choking her throat.

A large, excited lady pushed her way through the crowd. "Marie! Oh, mamma thought you were lost!" The woman swept the little girl off her feet, clutching her eagerly. Marie held on to her most tightly, but continued to cry with bitterness. It was a way of relieving her feelings, and so comforting to have dear mother's shoulder to cry on. Oh! oh! it was going to be a glorious Christmas after all!—Marion R. Reagan.

Christmas Sleighing in Days of Long Ago

OF COURSE the children had a sleigh ride during the holidays. But more and more as their parents talked over what they would give the children when they came home from the sleigh ride, more and more as they planned the good hot supper, they thought about the sleigh rides there had been when they were young.

What sleigh rides those had been! What fun! What a nice thing it was that now the children could enjoy these sleigh rides.

And yet—and yet—why not? They talked it over with each other and then with the neighbors. Then it was decided upon.

And the grown-ups, too, had a sleigh ride during the Christmas holidays just as they had had when they were young. Afterward there was a hot supper and then there were games.

Why put aside a sleigh-ride party when one's spirit is the same, even if a few years have been added?—Mary Graham Bonner.

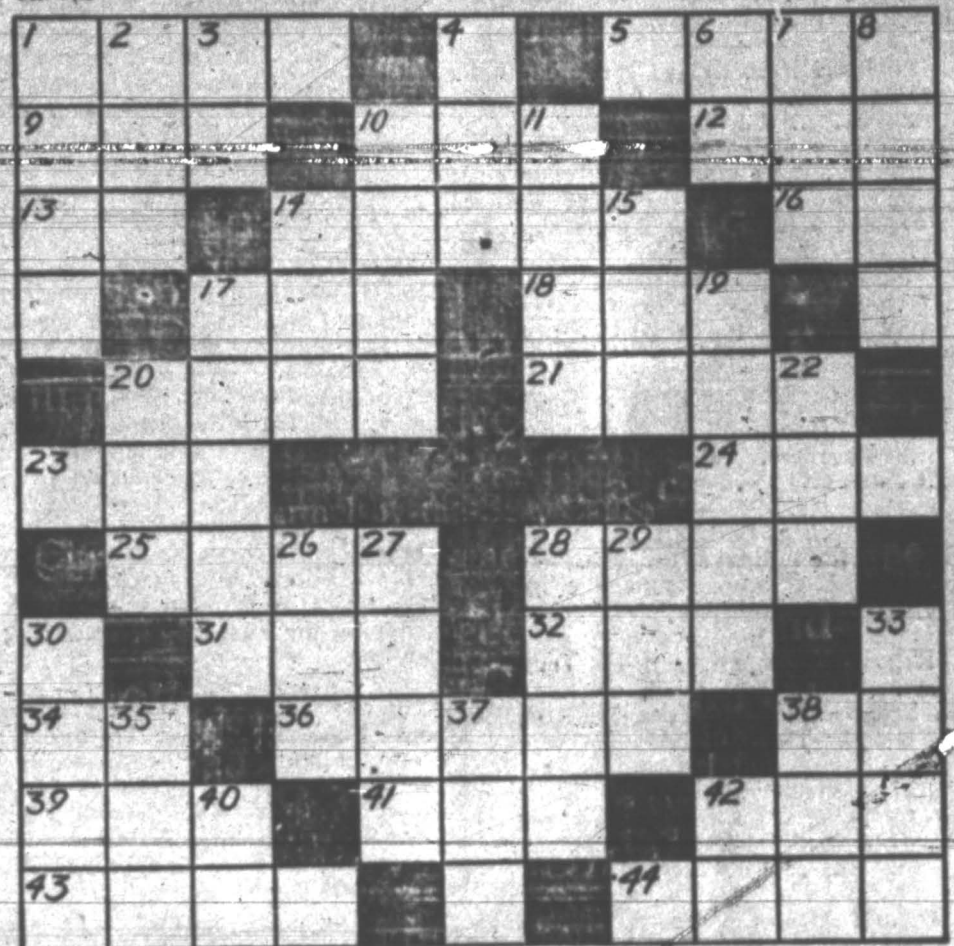
Giving of Toys

The origin of the custom of giving toys to children at Christmas has never been authentically traced. It is known that children of the early Egyptians received toys as gifts at stated periods, during which their elders indulged in festivals of good will more than 2,000 years before the coming of Christ.—George Newell Moran.

Great Indoor Sport Provided for Readers of Pine Cone

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 1 "STEPPING STONES"

If you like them easy this one will suit you, for the interlock helps you over the stickers. If you're in the expert class you can find an unusual word or two. This puzzle contains every letter in the alphabet except "k."



(Copyright, 1924.)

Horizontal

- 1—Mohammedan call to prayer
- 5—Fatten
- 9—Large vehicle
- 10—By way of
- 12—South American reptile
- 13—Beast of burden
- 14—Boy's name
- 16—Initiate of a famous President
- 17—Possesses
- 19—Elongated fish
- 20—To allot
- 21—At a distance
- 23—Body of water
- 24—To fix
- 25—Envelope
- 26—Luck
- 31—Crafty
- 32—Card Game
- 34—Impersonal pronoun
- 36—Sets of three
- 38—Note of scale
- 39—Notch
- 41—Unit of work
- 42—Human beings
- 43—Metal
- 44—A landing place

Vertical

- 1—Acknowledge
- 2—Tool for trimming slates
- 3—Indefinite article
- 4—Species of pine
- 6—Hebrew month
- 7—Decay
- 8—Attempt
- 10—Receptacle
- 11—Region
- 14—Head covering
- 15—Coniferous tree
- 17—Listens
- 19—Cowboy's rope
- 20—Cat's cry
- 22—Affirmative
- 23—High in the scale
- 27—Funeral pile
- 28—Dancing shoe
- 29—Goddess of Dawn
- 30—Islands of the South Sea
- 33—Simpleton
- 35—A sailor
- 37—Anger
- 38—Meadow
- 40—Proceed
- 42—Greek letter

The solution will appear in next issue.

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Pine Needles

Miss Elsa Blackman is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Blackman.

Horton Denny and wife, who have spent several months here, have returned to their Berkeley home.

The Lowell Hardys of Pleasanton will spend the week between Christmas and New Year in their cottage here.

Only two days more to pay your city taxes without penalty. They become delinquent after Monday, December 29.

Mrs. Henry Meade Williams, niece of Mrs. Susan C. Porter, has received the Herter scholarship in the Denishaw school.

Alice Greene will leave Carmel on the 30th of this month to spend the winter in Pasadena, returning some time next summer.

Dr. Florence Belknap is in Hollywood for the holidays, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee, whose sons are in the moving picture industry.

"Reggie" Clappett, son of Trinity's former rector, is married, so 'tis said. His bride is Miss Rebecca Thatcher of San Diego. They eloped.

Miss Genevieve McAdam made a hasty departure for Seattle last Saturday. She will be back to resume her dancing classes next week.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. McCollom are leaving shortly for the south, to be away several months. Rollo McCollom, their son, lives in Pasadena.

Miss Ellen Butler, who has lived in Carmel for the past two years, has returned to her home in London, visiting in New York before sailing.

Why Mr. N. Windsor (R. I.) Put Up with Rats for Years

"Years ago I got some rat poison, which nearly killed our fine watch dog. We put up with rats until a friend told me about Rat-Snap. It surely kills rats, though house pets won't touch it." Rats dry up and leave no smell. Prices, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by CARMEL PHARMACY

Harold Gates is here from Montezuma School in Los Gatos to spend the holidays with Dr. Amelia L. Gates, recently returned from abroad.

Miss Valentine Mott Porter and her daughter, Valentine, have gone to Los Angeles for Christmas, returning for the opening of school on January 5.

Clifford Kroening of Milwaukee, who was here a year ago, a pupil of Paul Mays, is again on the peninsula. This time he will study with Percy Gray.

Miss Dixie Seaton, daughter of Scott Seaton, who will play in "What Happened to Jones," is here with her father. She is a pupil in Miss Hamlin's school.

"The Sandbar," A. H. Knott's painting, was recently exhibited in the California Art Club in Los Angeles, and is receiving much commendation from the critics.

Mary H. Worswick and daughter, Miss Mildred Worswick, and son, George Draper Worswick, and wife, are occupying the Foster cottage during the holidays.

Persons recently taking delivery from Paul Denny, local agent for Chevrolet and Buick cars, are as follows: Charles S. White, touring Chevrolet; Charles May, sedan Chevrolet; Dr. Amelia Gates, sedan let; L. S. Slevin, 4-passenger coupe Chevrolet.

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